



Strike Update

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Meetings with Administrators

During our Phase 1 job action teachers **will not meet with principals** individually or as a group, except under the following **limited circumstances**:

- Emergent health, safety and student concerns
- Teacher evaluations
- Bill 33 consultations
- Job interviews—candidate and VESTA rep only
- IEP/SBT meetings when the administration provides direct service to the student or has emergent important information.
- Meetings with vice-principals as a student's resource teacher or as a job share partner and only to discuss matters associated with teaching the student(s).

It is important that we treat all members of the staff, including administrators, with respect. Informal and social conversation with administrators are appropriate.

Note: We do not meet with administrators to discuss student progress that would normally be communicated.

Reporting Student Progress

During Phase 1 strike action teachers continue to assess and record information relating to student achievement, work habits and social responsibility.

We are not completing report cards but continue to advise parents if we have concerns and meet with them only as needed.

- Some teachers send home class newsletters letting parents know the general topics covered during the month or term.
- A brief phone call home when needed can also be used.
- Do not forget to also communicate positive achievement

Ways members might communicate with parents on student progress.

- Verbally when meeting informally, face-to-face
- A phone call home especially if the student is struggling
- Send home assignments, portfolios of work, or tests for parents to sign and return
- Comments in the students agenda or homework book
- Send a note home about a specific topic or issue
- Send a quick email message to parents

Individual teachers will choose methods of communications that they prefer.



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